

The #1 School
Success Factor

ATTENDANCE



Regular attendance is crucial for success in elementary school.

Absences add up

Even if your child misses just a few days here and there, their grades are likely to suffer. According to research, missing two days a month negatively impacts a student's academic performance.

Elementary attendance affects reading

Frequent absences in elementary school have been shown to significantly affect a student's reading skills.

Elementary attendance problems can negatively impact a student's future

Research shows that by sixth grade attendance problems become a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.

Attendance affects social growth

Elementary students are still learning social and emotional skills that will help them throughout their lives. At school, they learn to interact with others, make friends, and build relationships with adults outside of their family.

Help your child succeed in school. Make sure your child is in school every day!



These tips will help ensure that your child is in school every day.

Develop routines. Get everything your child needs for school ready the night before. Set out (or have your child set out) clothes, shoes, socks, coat, and backpack.

Also, make sure that your child goes to bed early enough to get a good night's sleep—and is up in time to have a good breakfast and get to school on time.

Get support. If you have difficulty getting your child to and from school, or if your child doesn't seem to want to go to school for any reason, talk to your child's teacher, school counselor, or an administrator. Work together to resolve whatever issue is having a negative impact on your child's attendance.

Be informed. Know bus pick up times, parent drop off times, and school bell times. Determine what time your child needs to be "out the door" to get to school on time.

Bus arrival time _____

First bell time _____

Late bell time _____

Time to be "out the door" _____

For tips on how to help your child succeed in school, watch this video.



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